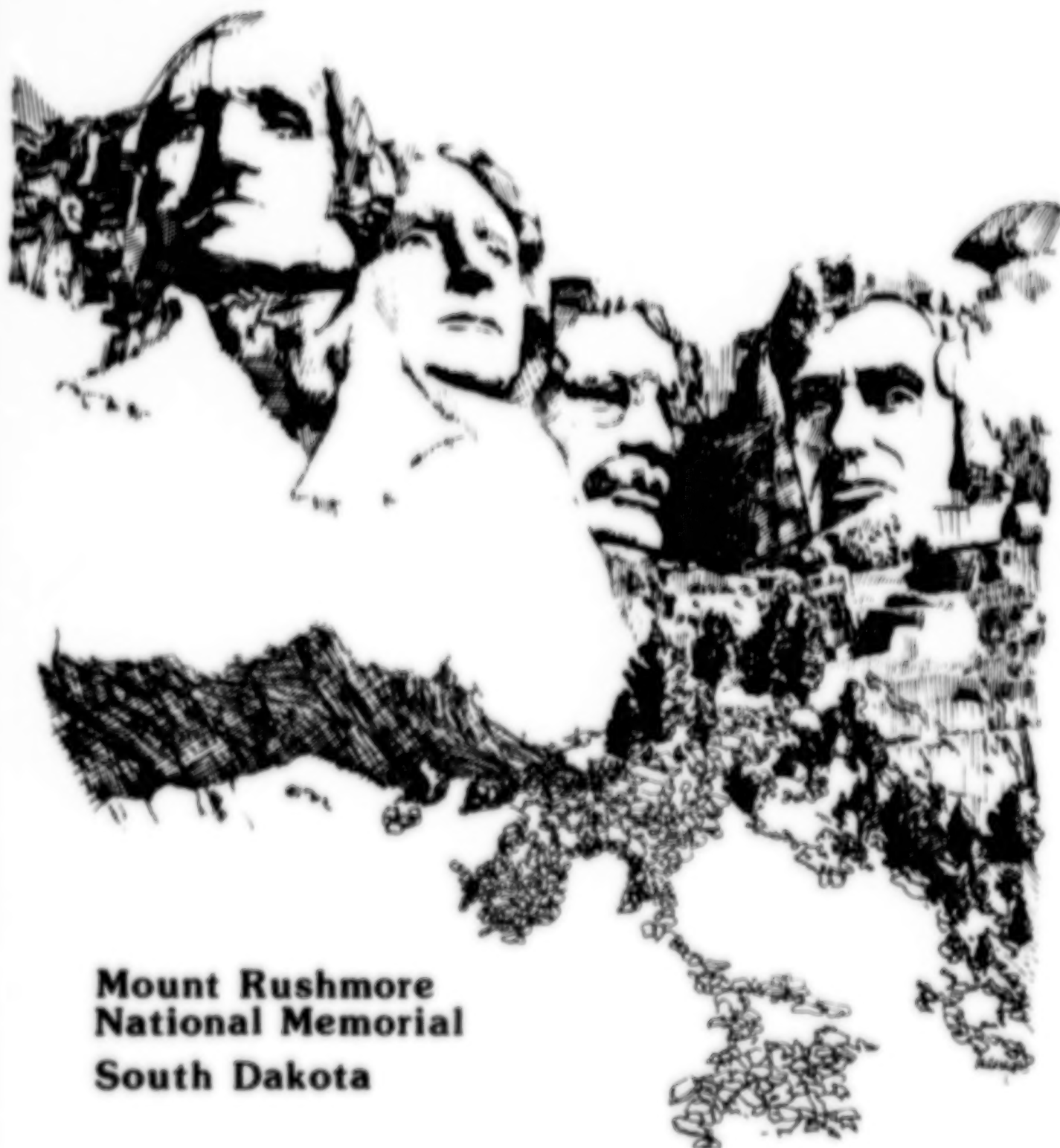


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Statement for Management

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Definition

The statement for management (SFM) provides an up-to-date inventory of the park's condition and an analysis of its problems. It does not involve any prescriptive decisions on future management and use of the park, but it provides a format for evaluating conditions and identifying major issues and information voids.

Recommended by:

David W. Weik
Superintendent, Mount Rushmore
National Memorial

8/27/87
Date

Approved by:

Louise Mintzmyer
Regional Director
Rocky Mountain Region

9-30-87
Date



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- Locations of Major Cities
- Locations of State Capitals
- State Boundary Lines
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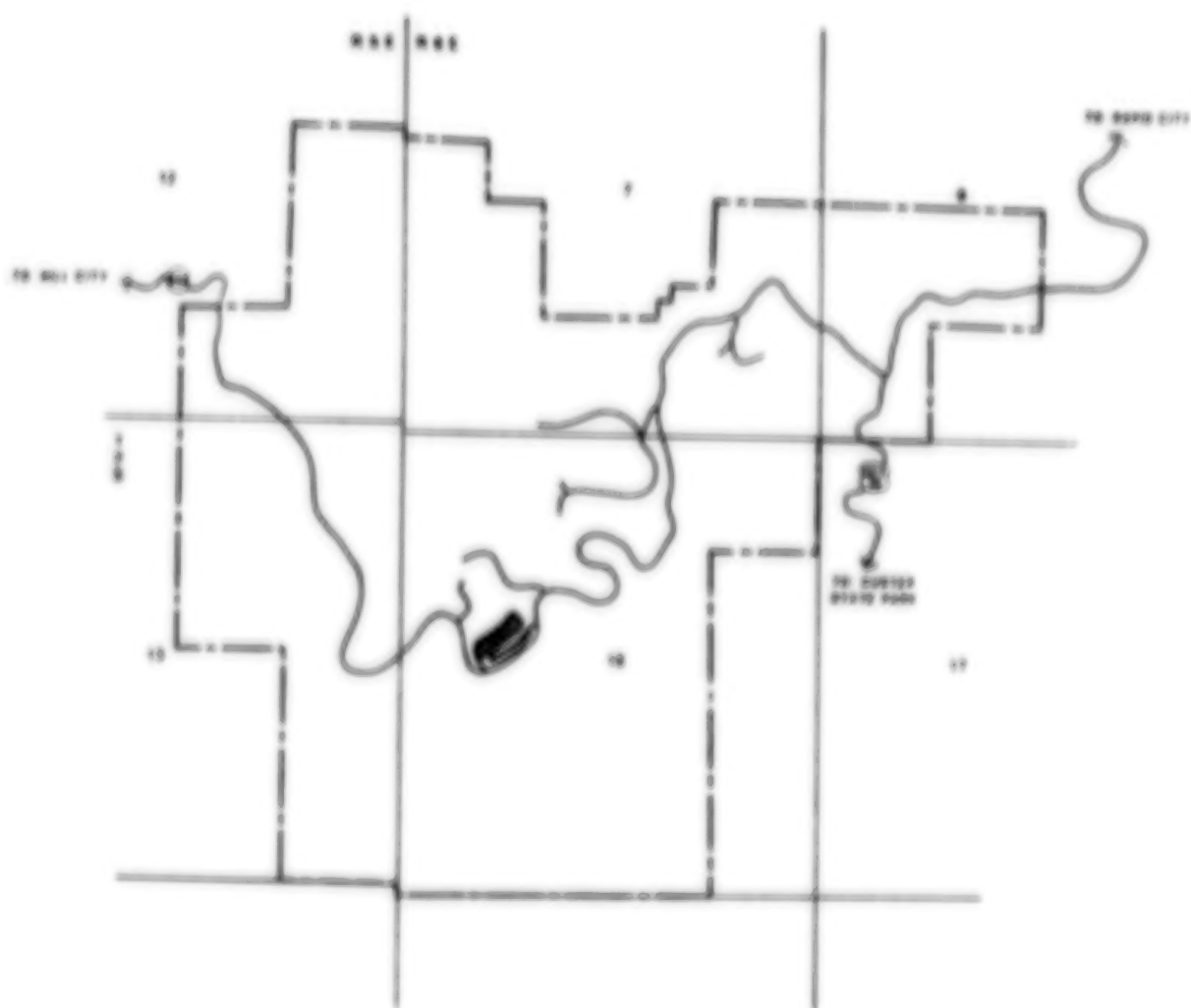
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## **BOUNDARY MAP** **MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL - SOUTH DAKOTA** U.S. DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR - NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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## I. LOCATION

Mount Rushmore National Memorial is in the southwest portion of Pennington County, South Dakota, Congressional District At Large.

## II. PURPOSE AND SIGNIFICANCE

The busts of four Presidents--George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln, and Theodore Roosevelt--were sculpted on the southeastern granite face of Mount Rushmore as ". . . a memorial. . . commemorative of our national history and progress. . ." (Act of March 3, 1925). This basic legislation authorized the carving and established the purpose of what was to become Mount Rushmore National Memorial.

Subsequent legislation established the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission with the responsibility of completing the memorial ". . . to be constructed according to designs and models by Gutzon Borglum." Included were charges to ". . . administer, protect, and develop. . ." the memorial and specifics such as ". . . reconstruction of the studio for the preservation of the models, landscaping the contiguous grounds, and construct the entrance to the Memorial" (Acts of February 25, 1929; June 26, 1934; and June 15, 1938).

Legislation also provided, "No charge shall ever be made for admission to the memorial grounds or for viewing the Memorial" (February 25, 1929, and June 15, 1938). The legislation previously cited also provides for ". . . an entablature upon which shall be cut a suitable inscription. . ." (originally a brief history of the United States by Calvin Coolidge); ". . . a stairway to the museum hall. . ." (the Hall of Records); and by the Act of July 11, 1941, ". . . to construct a crypt which shall serve as the permanent resting place for the remains of Gutzon and Mary Borglum. . . ." These last three considerations are no longer part of the overall plan. The entablature, Borglum ruled out due to available space and scale; the Hall of Records will probably be left unfinished, or if completed, it would be on a reduced scale. The crypt was excluded by the wishes of the Borglum family (letter from Lincoln Borglum dated February 1, 1973).

By Executive Order, June 10, 1933, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt placed Mount Rushmore under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service. However,

there were no immediate administrative changes and the Mount Rushmore Memorial Commission played the major role in administering the memorial.

The Act of July 3, 1941, by providing "that the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission shall cease to exist or function on June 30, 1942," in effect transferred all responsibilities to the National Park Service with the first park Superintendent being appointed October 1, 1941.

Mount Rushmore National Memorial is administered under the spirit and intent of the Act of August 25, 1916, which established the National Park Service and which states the purpose of the Service to be, "...to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." This act, those previously mentioned, and subsequent legislation provide direction for the National Park Service to preserve and protect the memorial sculpture and the natural setting, and to provide for the access of the public and for the inspirational and educational appreciation of the cultural and natural resources of the memorial.

The major resource at Mount Rushmore is the sculpture itself; carved during the period from 1927 to 1941 from the southeastern face of a granite upthrust. The sculpted busts of Presidents George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt, and Abraham Lincoln were described as the "Shrine of Democracy" by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt in a speech in 1936. Also, the sculpture is significant as a unique creative endeavor. Important to the sculpture is the natural scene surrounding and framing it. A stand of ponderosa pine on the adjacent steep slope provides a backdrop which complements the carving and contributes eloquently to its full aesthetic appreciation. These naturally occurring evergreens add color and life.

### III. INFLUENCES: INVENTORY AND ANALYSIS

#### A. LEGISLATIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the legislation cited in the Purpose and Significance Statement, the following agreements, permits, and Memoranda of Understanding remain in effect:

Northwestern Bell Telephone Company: Permit No. 2:323:3, October 1, 1968, to August 1, 1988. (For installation and maintenance of existing telephone lines.) This permit will need to be redone in 1987 based on new guidelines.

South Dakota Department of Highways: Permit No. 2:323:2, August 1, 1968, to August 1, 1988. (Right-of-way for highway from east boundary to junction of 244 and 16A.) Permit to be reviewed based on boundary adjustment.

South Dakota Department of Highways: Memorandum of Agreement dated January 3, 1961. In effect until either party gives written 90-day notice of termination. (Agrees that the State shall continue to provide maintenance for Horsethief Lake Road--now designated Highway 244.)

Telephone Pioneers of America: Memorandum of Understanding dated June 29, 1984, MU-1500-85-002; reaffirmed with expiration date of September 30, 1991. (The Pioneers agree to provide a free shuttle service for the mobility-handicapped at Mount Rushmore.)

State of South Dakota: State Permit No. 51, expiration date of September 30, 1990. (Permit for discharge of wastewater.)

South Dakota Department of Game, Fish, and Parks: State waterline easement dated March 2, 1961, no expiration date. Provides Mount Rushmore National Memorial an easement across State lands with the provision that the memorial install a "T" on the line as a watertap and allow the State free water for its operation if desired. (No requests for water have been made.)

The Mount Rushmore Mountain Company, Inc.: Concession contract to provide food and merchandise at Mount Rushmore National Memorial for the period July 23, 1971 to February 28, 1991.

Pennington County Sheriff's Department: Cooperative Agreement CA-1500-83-02 dated January 13, 1983, to January 13, 1988, with reaffirmations. The county agrees to provide law enforcement assistance when requested. In the event that the present Sheriff is not reelected at the expiration of his current term, the agreement will be reestablished with his replacement. (The agreement spells out areas of responsibility and cooperation between the memorial and

the Sheriff's Department.)

Black Hills Power and Light Company: Special Use Permit No. SP 1500-7-0001 dated January 1, 1987, to December 31, 1992. (Provides electrical power to serve Mount Rushmore National Memorial and the Mount Rushmore Mountain Company, Inc.)

Keystone Volunteer Fire Department: CA-1500-83-01, dated January 7, 1983, to January 7, 1988, with reaffirmations. (A mutual aid fire control agreement.)

United States Forest Service: Memorandum of Understanding, MU-1500-4-0001 dated January 23, 1984, to January 23, 1989 with reaffirmations. (An agreement for mutual aid in fire control.)

Artifact Loans to Rushmore-Borglum Story Museum and Crazy Horse Memorial: Specific artifacts have been on loan to the two mentioned businesses on a long-term basis. Formal agreements were signed in 1985.

#### Additional Influences

The Mount Rushmore National Memorial Society of Black Hills is a tax-exempt organization incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia in 1930. Over the following decades, the society has advised and continues to advise the National Park Service in aspects of management and planning and provides financial support to Service programs.

The parent organization--the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission which had been created by Congress in 1929--played a major part in assuming financial responsibility for the Mount Rushmore project. They employed workers for the carving of the mountain and distributed Federal and private funds which had been made available to assist in the work.

Another affecting influence is the concurrent jurisdiction in effect at Mount Rushmore National Memorial which allows more flexible use of State agency resources.

The memorial itself began as a result of citizen effort, and because of this, it is a source of great State pride. Any major change in management direction is of considerable interest to the Governor and most State agencies concerned with the economic well-being of South Dakota.

## B. NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

The floral and faunal communities in the memorial are fairly typical of those present in the surrounding Black Hills and include the following native mammals: Least chipmunk (*Eutamias minimus*), red squirrel (*Tamiasciurus hudsonicus*), woodrat (*Neotoma cinerea*), deer (*Odocoileus hemionus* and *Odocoileus virginianus*). There are also species exotic to the area such as the mountain goat (*Oreamnos americanus*). The presence of big game species in the park necessitates adequate signing and increased patrol activity during the hunting seasons. Avian species present are the same as those found in the surrounding hills. There are minimal open water areas in the park. Some small streams contain trout, but in insufficient numbers to be considered a significant resource.

Mineral resources exist in commercial quantities near the park and evidence exists that indicate some prospect work was done inside the park area without any major finds. Since the park was created, lands within the boundary have been withdrawn from mineral and mining entry.

The entire memorial is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and, therefore, requires compliance with Section 106, Executive Order No. 11593. The archeological resource inventory and evaluation has been completed (Anderson, 1974).

Part of the original Borglum conception of the memorial was a Hall of Records to be located in the small canyon immediately to the rear of the sculpture. This hall was to be essentially an archive of historic information with a grand staircase leading to its entrance. Borglum started excavation, but for various reasons only achieved a 14 by 20 foot passage 80 feet into the rock before his death. Interest in completing the hall has waxed and waned over the years, but no further work has been done. The present belief is that the actual Hall of Records will probably remain as Borglum left it--a sort of unfinished testimony to an ambitious idea. If, however, it is ever considered for completion through the use of non-Federal funds and construction activities are environmentally acceptable, the scale would probably be reduced from its original concept.

There will be no further sculpturing of the rock at the memorial as the decision was made upon the death of

Borglum that the work was at a point of artistic completion and could be considered finished. Aiding in this conclusion was the earlier finding by Gutzon Borglum and his son Lincoln--who supervised much of the work in the later stages--that there was a shortage of suitable rock available for any further work.

In the planning process by the National Park Service, it was decided that the rubble pile beneath the sculpture be retained as a part of the historic scene of Mount Rushmore National Memorial. It is a part of the description included in the designation of the memorial as a National Historic Site.

The memorial is encircled by the Black Hills National Forest, with small areas of State and private land intermixed. Resource management practices in the memorial were developed with full consideration given to the policies in effect in the surrounding forest.

Procedures (such as prescription burning) by either the National Park Service or U. S. Forest Service, which could affect the neighboring agency, are communicated to prevent misunderstanding and unnecessary action.

#### C. LAND USES AND TRENDS

The national memorial encompasses 1,738.45 acres within its authorized boundary. Mount Rushmore is in the Black Hills of southwestern South Dakota, approximately 25 miles southwest of Rapid City (population 51,334--1986 census); and Interstate 90, U. S. Highway 16A and State highway 244 (designated as the Gutzon Borglum Memorial Highway) pass through the memorial.

On December 20, 1980, the Black Elk Wilderness was established within the Black Hills National Forest by Public Law 96-560. The 10,700-acre wilderness has approximately 2.6 miles of boundary in common with Mount Rushmore National Memorial. The Black Hills National Forest and the Norbeck Wildlife Preserve have 7.3 miles of common boundary with the memorial. No significant changes in management direction by the National Park Service are foreseen, because of the proximity of the wilderness and preserve areas.

The summer climate and scenery of the Black Hills are such that the vicinity contains many summer cabins and resorts. The U. S. Forest Service experiences the bulk of the recreational demand since it manages the major portion of the land. It has developed a total of 51

campgrounds and picnic areas within the 1,273,000-acre Black Hills National Forest. The closest Forest Service developed areas to Mount Rushmore are the Grizzly Bear Creek Picnic Area, adjacent to the east boundary, and Haystack Lake Campground, one mile from the west boundary on Highway 264.

Many private campgrounds have been developed throughout the Black Hills. Several of these are within a few miles of the park. Most are combination campgrounds and trailer parks which have camper supplies, restrooms, showers, and some have laundromats. In addition, privately-owned concerns (tranches, bodies of water, mines, "ghost towns," and so on) have been developed as tourist attractions. Of special interest is a private museum in Keystone which houses an extensive collection of Bergian art and memorabilia.

Local industries include mining (gold, quartz, lithium, and feldspar), grazing, logging, and tourist services. Some increased heavy-vehicle use has occurred on local highways as these industries show signs of economic recovery. Close to the park boundary are some visual impairments due to adjacent mining activity--past and present.

Coal resource development in Wyoming which is west of the park could have an influence on the use of the area. So far, the proposed developments are still in the rumor stage. The projected increase of local populations due to existing growth trends will impact park visitation. Either or both of the above occurrences could eventually affect local air quality.

There are a number of national and local special interest groups that become active during any federally-related project including the Sierra Club, the Black Hills Alliance, the Black Hills Boyer Coalition, and the Campground Owners Association. Tourism promotion groups, including State and local representatives, are interested in continued increasing levels of operation to accommodate visitors.

Development and use of Mount Rushmore National Memorial will continue focusing on the historic, patriotic theme. Mount Rushmore is the primary attraction in the State of South Dakota and the focal point for the majority of travelers to the area. For that reason, most of the other attractions have been developed on access routes to Mount Rushmore.

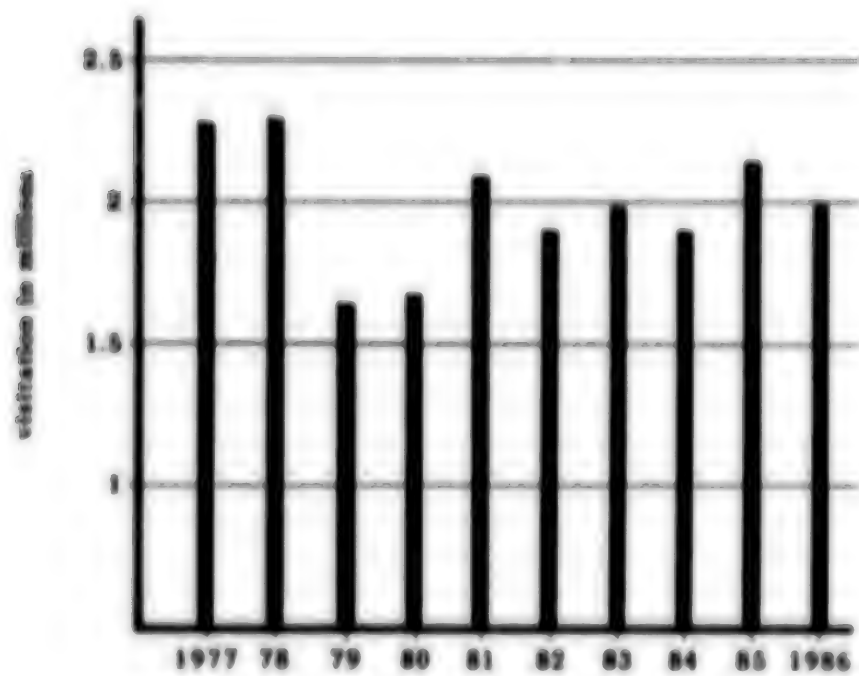
#### D. VISITOR USE ANALYSIS

During 1986, the peak day was Wednesday, July 4, with a visitation of 23,320. Any day over 18,000 is considered to be approaching the outer edge of comfortable capacity. There were 19 of these days during 1986 -- 22 in July and 17 in August. Five of the 19 days were over 21,000. During the off-season, Saturday and Sunday were the busiest days, but during the summer, park visitation evened out through all days of the week.

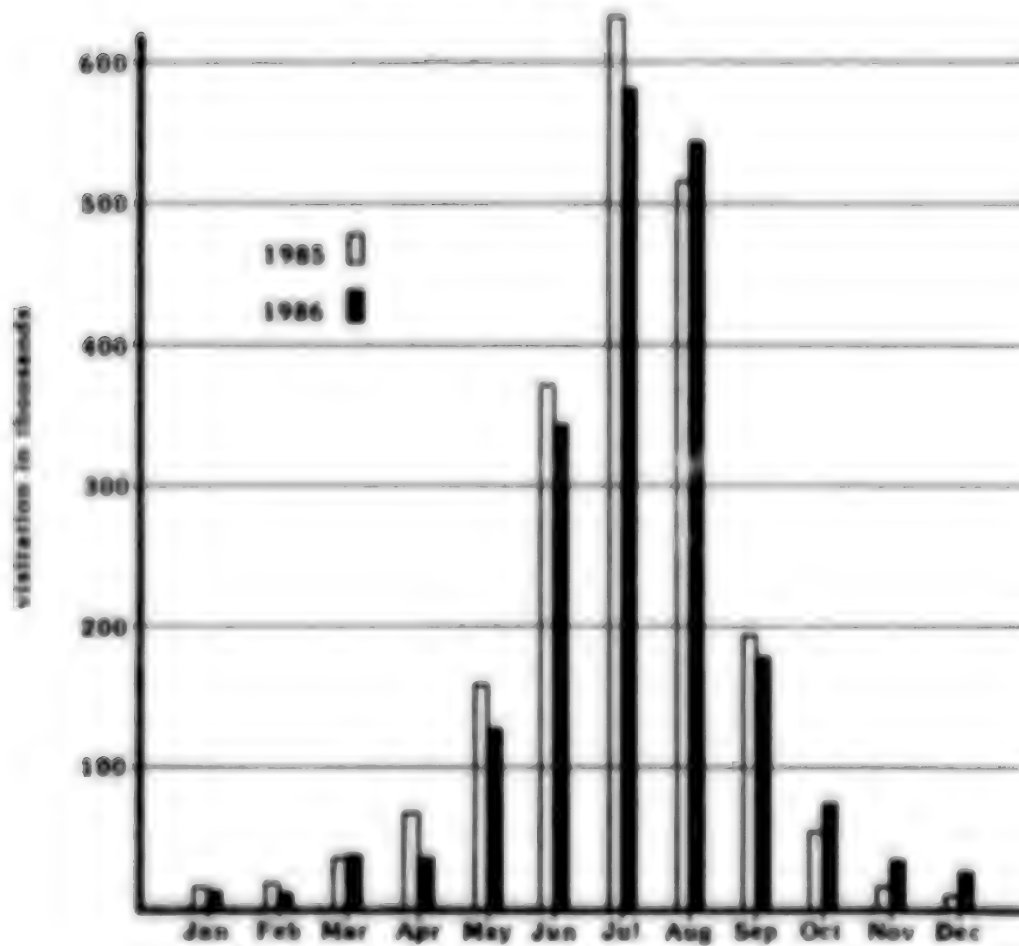
June, July, and August accounted for 73 percent of the total visitation for the year. If May and September are added to June, July, and August, they were 88 percent of the 1,004,314 visitors for 1986.

Visitor use of Mount Rushmore reached 1,000,000 in 1939 and has averaged close to, or over 2,000,000-per-year since 1970. As no immediate changes in trends are evident, the average visitation of 2,000,000 is expected to continue for the next few years. Visitors arrive from every State in the Union. During 1986, approximately 86 percent came from places other than South Dakota. Three to five percent of the visitors were from other countries.

The memorial is primarily a day-use area and the average visit is close to an hour. The memorial is accessible 24 hours a day; however, the visitor center is only open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. during the summer and from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. during the remainder of the year. The fact that 88 percent of the yearly visitation occurs during the summer, has resulted in overcrowding and deterioration of the visitor experience. Increased demand would emphasize the inadequacy of park facilities to handle the increases.



**Annual Visitation**



**Monthly Visitation - 1985 & 1986**  
Mount Rushmore National Memorial

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MOUNT RUSHMORE NATIONAL MEMORIAL

1986 POINT OF ORIGIN SURVEY

From Vehicle Licenses in Parking Lot

In 1986 the interpretive staff conducted random parking lot surveys to discover points of origin. The surveys were conducted from June through August and are represented in alphabetical order of State visitation taken from license plates.

|             |       |               |       |                           |              |
|-------------|-------|---------------|-------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Alabama     | .49%  | Maryland      | .49%  | Rhode Island              | .07%         |
| Alaska      | .06%  | Massachusetts | .29%  | S. Carolina               | .26%         |
| Arizona     | 1.11% | Minnesota     | 6.94% | S. Dakota                 | 13.17%       |
| Arkansas    | .78%  | Michigan      | 4.11% | Tennessee                 | .49%         |
| California  | 5.70% | Mississippi   | .16%  | Texas                     | 2.54%        |
| Colorado    | 5.08% | Missouri      | 3.13% | Utah                      | .98%         |
| Connecticut | .20%  | Montana       | 1.79% | Vermont                   | -0-          |
| Delaware    | .20%  | Mariana Isls* | -0-   | Virginia                  | .88%         |
| D.C.        | .07%  | Nebraska      | 4.89% | Washington                | 2.31%        |
| Florida     | 2.31% | New Hampshire | .13%  | W. Virginia               | .10%         |
| Georgia     | .36%  | New Jersey    | .95%  | Wisconsin                 | 4.82%        |
| Hawaii      | -0-   | New Mexico    | .68%  | <u>Wyoming</u>            | <u>3.10%</u> |
| Idaho       | .55%  | New York      | 1.50% | Saskatchewan              | .72%         |
| Illinois    | 5.80% | Nevada        | .33%  | Alberta                   | .42%         |
| Indiana     | 1.86% | N. Carolina   | .62%  | Ontario                   | 1.14%        |
| Iowa        | 4.04% | N. Dakota     | 2.87% | Brtsk Columbia            | .16%         |
| Kansas      | 2.57% | Ohio          | 2.77% | Manitoba                  | .68%         |
| Kentucky    | .75%  | Oklahoma      | 1.11% | Quebec                    | .10%         |
| Louisiana   | .59%  | Oregon        | .91%  | Nova Scotia               | .07%         |
| Maine       | .20%  | Pennsylvania  | 1.50% | Foreign<br>Embassy plates | -0-          |

3,068 cars were surveyed over a three-month period.  
\*Visitation from the Mariana Islands was noted, but not in sufficient quantity to merit a percentage. It is included here purely for the sake of interest.

International Visitors to Mount Rushmore in 1986

|           |       |              |     |
|-----------|-------|--------------|-----|
| Australia | 93    | Italy        | 94  |
| Austria   | 5     | Japan        | 265 |
| Belgium   | 14    | Korea        | 15  |
| Brazil    | 4     | Mexico       | 66  |
| Canada    | 104   | Netherlands  | 3   |
| China     | 66    | New Zealand  | 16  |
| Columbia  | 4     | Nigeria      | 2   |
| Denmark   | 14    | Norway       | 8   |
| England   | 37    | South Africa | 4   |
| France    | 348   | Spain        | 2   |
| Germany   | 1,243 | Sweden       | 8   |
| Holland   | 2     | Switzerland  | 24  |
| Hungary   | 3     | Thailand     | 9   |
| Israel    | 4     | Venezuela    | 7   |

Since camping, fishing, hunting, picnicking, hiking, horseback riding, boating, swimming, and other outdoor recreational activities are adequately met by public and private agencies and businesses outside the memorial, there is no need to dilute the primary purpose of the memorial by attempting to participate in any of these activities.

Climbing or scrambling is not allowed on the talus slope below the sculpture or on Mount Rushmore itself, because it is unsafe and because of the resulting interference with the viewing experience of the visitor. Climbing is permitted in other areas, and several routes have been located and mapped.

Due to its national prominence, many commercially- and politically-oriented groups wish to use the memorial with the sculpture as a backdrop to benefit a cause, a belief, or a commercial enterprise. Regulations allow such use as long as any proposed activity meets

guidelines stated by the applicable regulation and policy.

#### E. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT ANALYSIS

The development within the memorial consists of a visitor/headquarters facility with a 300-vehicle parking area, maintenance area, concession facilities (which include a 120-employee dormitory), 830-seat amphitheater, viewing terrace, Sculptor's Studio (including air compressors and related rock working tools), 6 houses used for permanent and seasonal housing, a 10-unit apartment building used for seasonal housing, and associated utility services.

#### NONHISTORIC BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

|     |        |                                                            |        |         |
|-----|--------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| 1.  | No. 43 | 10-unit Apartment Building                                 | 4,846  | sq. ft. |
| 2.  | No. 44 | Residence                                                  | 1,694  | sq. ft. |
| 3.  | No. 45 | Residence                                                  | 1,694  | sq. ft. |
| 4.  | No. 46 | Residence                                                  | 1,707  | sq. ft. |
| 5.  | No. 47 | Residence                                                  | 1,535  | sq. ft. |
| 6.  | No. 51 | Residence                                                  | 1,535  | sq. ft. |
| 7.  | No. 54 | Storage                                                    | 497    | sq. ft. |
| 8.  | No. 55 | Chlorination House                                         | 48     | sq. ft. |
| 9.  | No. 56 | Garage                                                     | 880    | sq. ft. |
| 10. | No. 29 | Concession Building                                        | 18,237 | sq. ft. |
| 11. | No. 31 | Concession Dormitory                                       | 11,148 | sq. ft. |
| 12. | No. 38 | Utility Storage                                            | 2,821  | sq. ft. |
| 13. | No. 26 | Restrooms                                                  | 760    | sq. ft. |
| 14. | No. 37 | Pumphouse                                                  | 360    | sq. ft. |
| 15. | No. 39 | Restrooms                                                  | 384    | sq. ft. |
| 16. | No. 40 | Visitor Center                                             | 12,020 | sq. ft. |
| 17. | No. 58 | Fire Hose Storage                                          | 8      | sq. ft. |
| 18. | No. 59 | Fire Hose Storage                                          | 8      | sq. ft. |
| 19. | No. 69 | Compressor Storage                                         | 128    | sq. ft. |
| 20. | No. 75 | Parking Lot Kiosk                                          | 56     | sq. ft. |
| 21. | No. 73 | Lift Station (Water-Sewage System)                         | 96     | sq. ft. |
| 22. | No. 74 | Blower House (Water-Sewage System)                         | 133    | sq. ft. |
| 23. | No. 78 | Aeration House (Water System)                              | 1,386  | sq. ft. |
| 24. | No. 72 | Pumphouse (Water-Sewage System)                            | 360    | sq. ft. |
| 25. | No. 57 | Borglum View Terrace                                       | 3,919  | sq. ft. |
| 26. | No. 41 | Amphitheater                                               | 1,667  | sq. ft. |
| 27. | No. 76 | Projection Booth (Amphitheater)                            | 240    | sq. ft. |
| 28. | -- --  | Artifact Storage (Contained in Back Stage of Amphitheater) | 200    | sq. ft. |

## UTILITY SYSTEMS

### 1. Sewer Treatment Facilities

|       |   |                                                |
|-------|---|------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | - | 75,000-Gallon Extended Aeration System         |
| 1     | - | Lift Station                                   |
| 3     | - | Dosing Chambers - Total 5,088 Gallons          |
| 4     | - | Sand Filter Beds - Total 9,000 Square Feet     |
| 1     | - | 32,600-Gallon Septic Tank System               |
| 1     | - | 6,000-Gallon Septic Tank System                |
| 1     | - | Sludge Drying Bed - 800 Square Feet            |
| 1     | - | Drain Field - 1,000 Lineal Feet                |
| 28    | - | Manholes                                       |
| 385   | - | Feet of 8-Inch Line                            |
| 6,284 | - | Feet of 6-Inch Line                            |
| 627   | - | Feet of 4-Inch Line                            |
| 4,430 | - | Feet of 2-Inch Force Main                      |
| 2     | - | Flow Measuring Manholes with Electronic Meters |
| 1     | - | Chlorine Contact Chamber                       |
| 1     | - | Laboratory                                     |

### 2. Two Water Systems

|       |   |                                      |
|-------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 1     | - | 2,000,000-Gallon Steel Reservoir     |
| 1     | - | 500,000-Gallon Concrete Reservoir    |
| 1     | - | 125,000-Gallon Concrete Reservoir    |
| 1     | - | 75,000-Gallon Concrete Reservoir     |
| 1     | - | 30,000-Gallon Concrete Reservoir     |
| 1     | - | 1,500-Gallon Steel Reservoir         |
| 2     | - | 4,500 GPM Centrifugal Pumps          |
| 1     | - | 2,000 GPM Centrifugal Pump           |
| 1     | - | 50 GPM Submersible Pump              |
| 1     | - | 30 GPM Submersible Pump              |
| 1     | - | 490-Foot Well, 10 GPM Sustained Rate |
| 1     | - | 200-Foot Well, 45 GPM Sustained Rate |
| 3     | - | Test Wells                           |
| 3     | - | Springs                              |
| 9,330 | - | Feet of 6-Inch Water Main            |
| 550   | - | Feet of 3-Inch Water Main            |
| 1,110 | - | Feet of 2½-Inch Water Main           |
| 1     | - | Gas Chlorination System              |
| 2     | - | Pumphouses                           |
| 4     | - | Manholes                             |

### 3. Electrical Systems (Park Owned)

|    |   |                    |
|----|---|--------------------|
| 2  | - | Transformer Vaults |
| 3  | - | Transformers Yards |
| 16 | - | Transformers       |
| 5  | - | Oil Switches       |

- 3 - Spotlight Banks - 62 Lights, 1,500 Watts Each
- 2,080 Feet of Aerial Power (Primary and Secondary)
- 11,825 Feet of Underground Power (Primary and Secondary)
- 223 - Trail and Parking Lot Illuminated Lights

#### 4. Fuel Systems

- 10 - Fuel Oil Systems - 11,350 Gallons
- 2 - Propane Systems - 750 Gallons
- 1 - Solar System - 2,000 Square Feet of Solar Collectors
- 1 - Diesel Fuel System - 300 Gallons
- 2 - Gasoline Fuel Systems - 1,500 Gallons

#### 5. Roads

- 4.10 Miles Primary Road, Hardsurfaced
- 4.30 Miles Secondary Road, Hardsurfaced (Includes parking lots)
- .36 Miles Secondary Road, Gravel
- .30 Miles Secondary Road, Dirt
- .80 Miles Trail
- 9,397 Feet of Curb and Gutter
- 19 - Culverts

#### 6. Trails

- 1.7 Miles Walk Trails
- 3,215 Feet Rock Walls
- 5,800 Feet Wood Fencing
- 2,100 Feet Steel Handrails
- 750 Feet Concrete and Block Walls

#### 7. Developed Areas

- 4 Acres Formal Lawns
- 2,485 Feet Sprinkler System
- 8.5 Acres Field Developed Area
- 528 Trees
- 352 Shrubs
- 2,100 Feet Post and Wire Fence
- 1,500 Feet Chain Link Fence
- 68 Flagpoles
- 13 Plaques
- 3 Terraces
- 1 Amphitheater
- 1 Sculpture

## HISTORIC STRUCTURES

1. Residence No. 2: Originally built in 1939 as an Administrative Office next to the Sculptor's Studio. Remodeled in 1950 and 1954, and 1986; first into park housing and most recently into a library/research/storage building. Contains 1,248 square feet.

2. Sculptor's Studio: Built in 1939 as Gutzon Borglum's second studio at Mount Rushmore. It was used by him until 1941 and was used as an Administrative Office and Interpretive Center from 1941 to 1963. From 1963 to 1976 it was utilized as a storage facility. In 1977, it was reopened as a public summer-use visitor area. Since museum storage is currently inadequate, long-range goals would be to convert the lab upstairs in the studio to museum workspace. Contains 6,080 square feet.

The entire memorial is on the National Register of Historic Places. An updated nomination will be prepared which will exclude modern structures.

## MAJOR EQUIPMENT

Mount Rushmore, because of its geographic location and type of development, has some particular equipment requirements. Large parking areas, walkways, and an in-park residence compound require snow removal capability. Other special equipment includes five 2-wheel vehicles which are used to monitor and control vehicle traffic on park roads and in the parking areas. A fire pumper is maintained as partial protection for developed area and residence structures. General purpose trucks and passenger vehicles are maintained in sufficient numbers to handle normal operational needs common to all park areas.

## F. STATUS OF PLANNING

| <u>Name of Plan</u>             | <u>Preparer</u> | <u>Date<br/>Approved</u> | <u>Comment On<br/>Adequacy</u> | <u>Repository</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. General Management Plan      | RMR/Park        | 12/29/80                 | Adequate<br>With Revisions     | RMRO              |
| 2. Interpretive Prospectus      | RMR             | 02/23/82                 | Adequate                       | RMRO              |
| 3. Resource Management Plan     | Park            | 09/08/82                 | Adequate<br>Revision 1986      | Park              |
| 4. Sculpture Preservation Study | RMR             | 1978                     | Incomplete                     | RMRO              |

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| 5.  | Transportation Study                    | DSC      | 1972 | Incomplete             | DSC  |
| 6.  | Sculpture Protection Study              | DSC      | 1976 | Incomplete             | DSC  |
| 7.  | Sculpture Lighting Study                | DSC      | 1976 | Adequate               | DSC  |
| 8.  | Archeological Survey                    | MWAC     | 1974 | Adequate               | RMRO |
| 9.  | Parking Redesign Feasibility            | DSC      | 1980 | Needs Revision         | DSC  |
| 10. | Sewage and Solid Waste Disposal Studies | DSC      | 1972 | Not Available          | DSC  |
| 11. | Hydrological Study                      | USGS     | 1973 | Adequate               | DSC  |
| 12. | Geology of Mount Rushmore               | USGS     | 1973 | Adequate               | DSC  |
| 13. | Cultural Resources Management Plan      | Park     | 1983 | Adequate Revision 1986 | Park |
| 14. | Special Populations Plan                | Park     | 1986 | Adequate               | Park |
| 15. | Vegetative Baseline Study               | Contract | 1985 | Adequate               | Park |

Those studies listed as incomplete such as the Sculpture Preservation Study, the Transportation Study, and the Sculpture Protection Study were basic information studies. Follow-up studies in more detail are required for long-term management decisions. A structural analysis has been requested to determine the existing physical state of the sculpture. Information from this will be applied to both sculpture preservation and protection. The Transportation Study was approved in 1972. Information bearing on technological and economical considerations applicable to the present time needs to be incorporated.

#### G. EXISTING MANAGEMENT ZONING

The entire memorial (1,238.45 acres) is on the National Register of Historic Places. However, the memorial is broken into more specific management zones. (See Management Zoning Map.)

The 20 acres (1.6 percent of the total) around the sculpture, the talus slope, and the Hall of Records are classified as an outstanding historic feature. Approximately 100 acres (8.0 percent) around the main features--including the Borglum View Terrace, the Sculptor's Studio, and Residence No. 2--are considered the Historic Subzone.

Approximately 120 acres (9.7 percent) are designated as the Development Subzone, consisting of a residential area, visitor service area, administrative area, and circulation development area (lots and roads) for

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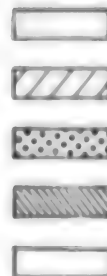
natural environment zone (1,006 ac.)

special use zone (40 ac.)

historic zone (100 ac.)

outstanding historic feature subzone (20 ac.)

development zone (120 ac.)



## Existing Management Zoning Map

### Mount Rushmore National Memorial

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vehicle control.

The remaining lands--approximately 998 acres (80.6 percent)--are being managed as a natural environment subzone with 896 acres adjacent to the Black Elk Wilderness Area within the Black Hills National Forest.

A 40-acre tract of land had been included within the park boundary since the 1940's as an inholding through an administrative error. In 1986 the Office of the Solicitor in Denver pointed out this error. It would still be of benefit to the National Park Service to have this property become part of the memorial, as it contains the major entrance junction to the park.

#### IV. MAJOR ISSUES

There are several diverse issues which affect or have the potential to affect Mount Rushmore National Memorial. Park management and use constraints begin with the enabling legislation, which expressly prohibits the charging of fees for admission to the memorial grounds or for viewing the memorial. This limits flexibility in some management efficiency alternatives which are available to other areas.

Cooperative Agreements, Special Use Permits, and Memoranda of Agreement entered into by the park are in the majority of direct benefit. Administrative review will allow evaluation of the remainder. Another issue of importance relates to natural resources. A needed Vegetation Baseline Study was completed in 1985, but a Structural Analysis of the granitic mass which is Mount Rushmore needs to be undertaken so that any inherent structural weakness can be neutralized.

The structural analysis is needed to develop management practices which will work with the resource. There is a minimum known of the geologic structure of the Mount Rushmore sculptures but some inferences can be drawn from the surface features. However these inferences do not reliably reveal the interior. Since the sculpture is the major feature and resource of the memorial, the more information available the better the management decision. This would also apply to any major decisions concerning the completion or relocation of the Hall of Records. The possibility of structural weakness is present until scientific procedures rule it not a major consideration.

An indirect issue which affects park management is the

local hydrology. Flooding is not a major problem within park boundaries, but in 1972 major damage occurred to a small community located within a half mile of the eastern edge of the park. Park personnel and equipment were involved in rescue and recovery of victims and property. Access was restricted from that direction until roads were cleared. This particular flood was an unusual occurrence, but a similar flood in the future would again affect park operations and use.

Air and water quality are of direct concern to park managers. A monitor furnished by the State of South Dakota and maintained by National Park Service personnel has been providing baseline data on air quality in the park since the summer of 1983. Data summaries to this point have not indicated a serious problem within the park. Although not apparent in available information as a major local problem, background data on acid precipitation is being gleaned from publications for use at Mount Rushmore. Two acid precipitation monitoring stations are within 50 miles of the park- one at 50 and one at 25 miles. They are not close enough to give accurate readings for the memorial, but they do give trends.

A major issue, described in the General Management Plan (approved in 1980), is the effect of overburdening park facilities. From a high of 2,296,680 visitors in 1978, visitation dropped to 1,642,757 in 1979. Over the succeeding 4 years, visitation has built back to near the 2,000,000 figure--some years over and some under. As has been noted earlier in the visitation section of this statement, capacity is being taxed during the course of the summer season at present levels. Visitation figures of over 2,000,000 a year for any length of time will gradually result in degradation of facilities through sheer numbers. The consequence would be a deteriorated visitor experience, beginning with a wait for parking spaces.

The concession facilities were designed to accommodate one million visitors, however, they are serving approximately two million annually. Along with their being overtaxed, there are several "critical" items identified in the Georgia Tech study which need to be replaced or repaired. To meet our objective of fulfilling the needs of the visitor and meeting operational requirements, the concession facilities need to be expanded and updated.

Other human activity presently occurring which can be

potentially damaging is the desire to climb Mount Rushmore. It is prohibited by regulation (16 CFR 7.77) and legitimate climbing areas are available within the memorial. In spite of regulations, posted signs, and other climbing areas, several visitors each year are issued Violation Notices for attempting to climb to the sculpture. During periods of civil unrest, the desire to scale Mount Rushmore develops a more sinister aspect. Groups seeking national recognition see the well-known, highly-visible memorial as a means of attracting, at least, national attention. Threats to the memorial are occasionally part of onsite and off-site dissonance rhetoric. Protection and law enforcement resources are stretched when these periods occur. Complications have arisen due to the sacred status of the Black Hills to the Native American religion. Additional pressure has been applied by the introduction in 1986 of a bill in Congress to return most of the Black Hills to the Lakota/Dakota Sioux as a redress for treaty breaking by the American government.

Issues relating to natural resources management or utilization include the temptation by visitors to take a piece of the mountain home. This activity is certainly not unique to Mount Rushmore as it occurs in other parks as well. It is unlikely that the illegal gathering of souvenirs will reach the proportions experienced by an area such as Petrified Forest National Park, but it is present and needs continual monitoring.

There are problems concerning the presence of exotic species within park boundaries. Due to the relatively small size of the memorial, control of exotics is difficult. Species such as the Canada thistle have become a roadside pest in some sections of the park. Control of this particular plant has become difficult because of control restrictions on chemicals used in the past. A biological control specific to the thistle was proposed but fell through as the control agent was not available. An exotic, which will probably continue to be tolerated, is the mountain goat. Introduced into the Black Hills in the 1920's, the goat has survived and maintained a population even though it is considerably out of its range. It appeals aesthetically to the park visitor. Its territory, which extends into the National Forest, makes it a multi-Agency affair. It has been the policy of the State to maintain the goat herd.

Pine bark beetles have had some detrimental effects in

parts of the forest lands, but have not appeared in any numbers within the park.

Wildfire management is a major issue in the Black Hills due to the unusually heavy ponderosa pine stands. Historically, the hills were much more open due to periodic fires. Extensive suppression for the past several decades has allowed a massive fuel buildup. The surrounding land agencies have adopted a policy of prescription burning as a management tool in selected areas. Because of its small area, Mount Rushmore has confined fuel management to hand thinning near developed zones of the park. As the practice of prescription burning becomes more accurate and predictable, the park may use it as a tool for management.

Cultural resources management is a priority issue because the major park value--the Mount Rushmore sculpture--does not have sufficient geologic structural data available to guarantee its protection. A research project has been requested through the IO-238 system to provide the information required.

Other related needs are background information on the structures and furnishings connected to the onsite work. Adequate security and protection of the remaining historic buildings, sculptor's model, and equipment are being developed, but are not complete. Acquisition and cataloging of objects directly connected to the sculpture are continuing as resources allow. Presently the park Maintenance Division occupies the lower floor and part of the upper floor of the historic sculptor's studio. This does conflict with the historic scene, but it will not be remediable until a new maintenance facility is available.

Transportation needs, particularly overcrowding in the parking area and on the approach road from the east, continue to be a major problem. An increase in visitation will aggravate the problem.

#### V. MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

To accomplish the broad mission of the memorial, a variety of services and facilities have evolved and remain necessary to afford an opportunity for public enjoyment and for preservation of the memorial. The following objectives further define the mission of the National Park Service at Mount Rushmore:

#### A. GENERAL

To so manage the park to ensure programs and services provided the public and the protection and preservation of the resources are performed in accordance with the basic mission of Mount Rushmore National Memorial.

To ensure through cooperation with outside interests, both public and private, that regional land use and management are compatible with the purpose of the park.

#### B. RESOURCES

To commemorate the ideals and principles of American democracy represented by the four figures carved on Mount Rushmore. The massive granite sculpture and associated museum collections will be regularly maintained and preserved for posterity as they appeared in 1941 and interpreted to develop appreciation and understanding by the visitors to Mount Rushmore National Memorial.

To manage the geologic features and vegetative cover of the park to provide for a natural and aesthetic backdrop for the sculptured memorial.

To coordinate research and management efforts consistent with Section 106 of the Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's "Procedures for the Protection of Historic and Cultural Policies" as it pertains to long-range preservation of the granite sculpture, the studio, and associated museum collections.

To resolve the management difficulties inherent in the State landholding of 40 acres at the main entrance junction of the park.

#### C. THE VISITORS AND FACILITIES

To provide all visitors with the opportunity for a safe and informative visit. This includes access to visitor facilities and viewpoints including an adequate road and parking system.

To provide an adequate, safe water supply and the proper treatment and handling of sewage and solid waste in a manner that protects public health and does not allow pollution or degradation of natural ecosystems to interfere with the overall safety, enjoyment, and management of the memorial.

To provide comfort, use, and enjoyment to visitors at Mount Rushmore National Memorial by providing quality food services and theme-related souvenirs--through a private concessioner under contract.

To provide information and interpretive service and programs pertaining to the memorial's cultural resources and the story of the carving process; to provide basic information for visitor enjoyment, understanding, use, and safety; and to reduce impacts to park resources.

To increase accessibility for mobility-disabled visitors so that as many as possible have an opportunity to experience Mount Rushmore as the majority experience it.

To develop all available sources of funding so that the memorial continues to be one of the truly memorable experiences for the visitor.

APPENDIX A: LEGISLATION AND PROCLAMATIONS

March 3, 1925.  
H.R. 11726.)  
(Public, No. 589.)

Harney National  
Forest.  
Memorial authorized  
in, by Mount Harney  
Memorial Association.

Provided.  
No Government  
expense, etc.

CHAP. 471. - An Act to authorize the creation  
of a national memorial in the Harney National  
Forest.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of  
Representatives of the United States of  
America in Congress assembled, That the  
Mount Harney Memorial Association hereafter  
to be created by the Legislature of South  
Dakota is hereby authorized to carve a  
memorial in heroic figures commemorative of  
our national history and progress upon a  
suitable exposure of the Harney Mountain  
Range, located within the boundaries of the  
Harney National Forest in the State of South  
Dakota. Such association is further authorized  
to select the name, location, and design of  
such memorial: Provided, That the United  
States shall be put to no expense in respect  
of such memorial, and that the Secretary of  
Agriculture finds that the location of the  
site will not interfere with the administra-  
tion of the Harney National Forest.

Approved, March 3, 1925.

## EXECUTIVE ORDER

### ORGANIZATION OF EXECUTIVE AGENCIES

WHEREAS section 16 of the act of March 3, 1933 (Public, No. 428, 47 Stat. 1917), provides for reorganization within the executive branch of the Government; requires the President to investigate and determine what reorganizations are necessary to effectuate the purposes of the statute; and authorizes the President to make such reorganizations by Executive Order; and

WHEREAS I have investigated the organization of all executive and administrative agencies of the Government and have determined that certain regroupings, consolidations, transfers, and abolitions of executive agencies and functions thereof are necessary to accomplish the purposes of section 16;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the aforesaid authority, I do hereby order that:

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#### Section 2.--National Parks, Buildings, and Reservations

All functions of administration of public buildings, reservations, national parks, national monuments, and national cemeteries are consolidated in an Office of National Parks, Buildings, and Reservations in the Department of the Interior, at the head of which shall be a Director of National Parks, Buildings, and Reservations; except that where deemed desirable there may be excluded from this provision any public building or reservation which is chiefly employed as a facility in the work of a particular agency. This transfer and consolidation of functions shall include, among others, those of the National Park Service of the Department of the Interior and the National Cemeteries and Parks of the War Department which are located within the continental limits of the United States. \*\*\*\*

The functions of the following agencies are transferred to the Office of National Parks, Buildings, and Reservations of the Department of the Interior, and the agencies are abolished:

- Arlington Memorial Bridge Commission
- Public Buildings Commission
- Public Buildings and Public Parks of the National Capital
- National Memorial Commission
- Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway Commission

Expenditures by the Federal Government for the purposes of the Commission of Fine Arts, the George Rogers Clark Sesquicentennial Commission, and the Rushmore National Commission shall be administered by the Department of the Interior.

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Section 22.--Effective Date

In accordance with law, this order shall become effective 61 days from its date; Provided, That in case it shall appear to the President that the interests of economy require that any transfer, consolidation, or elimination be delayed beyond the date this order becomes effective, he may, in his discretion, fix a later date therefor, and he may for like cause further defer such date from time to time.

FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

The White House,  
June 10, 1933

## IX. LEGISLATION RELATING TO NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEMORIALS

### 1. Mount Rushmore National Memorial

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An Act Creating the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and defining its purposes and powers, approved February 25, 1929 (45 Stat. 1300)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
That a commission is hereby created and established, to be known as the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission (hereafter referred to as the commission), to consist of twelve members, who shall be appointed by the President. The members shall serve at the pleasure of the President, who shall fill all vacancies that from time to time occur.

Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission.  
Creation and composition of.

The members of the commission shall serve without compensation, except that their actual expenses in connection with the work of the commission may be paid from any funds appropriated for the purposes of this Act or acquired by other means hereafter authorized: *Provided*, That the secretary may be paid such salary for his services as may be determined by the commission. The commission is also authorized to pay such actual and necessary expenses as the secretary may incur in the performance of his duties. Such salary and expenses shall be paid by the treasurer of the commission upon the order of the secretary thereof and then only when approved and countersigned by the chairman of the executive committee.

Allowance only for expenses.

*Provides*.  
Secretary, etc.

SEC. 2. The commission when appointed shall organize by electing a chairman, a vice chairman, a secretary, and a treasurer: *Provided*, That a treasurer may be selected

Organization.  
*Provides*.

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| Treasurer.                                                        | outside of the commission and may be a bank or trust company. Such treasurer shall execute a bond so conditioned and in such amount as shall insure the protection of funds coming into his possession.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Executive committee.                                              | The commission may also create from its own membership an executive committee of five, which shall exercise such powers and functions within the purview of this Act as may be authorized by the commission.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Completion of memorial.                                           | SEC. 3. The purpose of the commission is to complete the carving of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial to consist of heroic figures of Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln, and Roosevelt, together with an entablature upon which there shall be cut a suitable inscription to be indited by Calvin Coolidge, and to landscape the contiguous grounds and construct the entrances thereto. Such memorial is to be constructed according to designs and models by Gutzon Borglum, now owned or contracted for by the Mount Harney Memorial Association of South Dakota. No charge shall ever be made for admission to the memorial grounds or for viewing the memorial.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Authority.                                                        | SEC. 4. The commission is authorized—                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Receive all property, etc., of Mount Harney Memorial Association. | (a) To receive and take over all property, contracts, rights, and moneys now in the hands of and possessed by the Mount Harney Memorial Association, including memoranda, records, sketches, models, and the incompleting figures on Mount Rushmore.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Receive and disburse funds.                                       | (b) To receive funds and pledges to cover the expense of finishing such memorial, and to pay out the same upon properly receipted vouchers to persons entitled.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Employ artists, sculptors, etc.                                   | (c) To employ the services of such artists, sculptors, landscape architects, and others as it shall determine to be necessary to complete said memorial, including the landscaping of the grounds and construction of the entrances thereto.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Other powers.                                                     | (d) To exercise such powers and functions as are necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of this Act.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Federal contribution limited.                                     | SEC. 5. That not more than one-half of the cost of such memorial and landscaping shall be borne by the United States, and not to exceed \$250,000 is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the purpose. Upon requisition of the executive committee herein provided for, the proportionate share of the United States shall be advanced to the treasurer of said commission from time to time by the Secretary of the Treasury out of any available appropriation, and in sufficient amounts to match the funds advanced from other sources to said commission, whether such funds are in the hands of its treasurer or have already been expended upon such memorial by the commission or by its predecessor, the Mount Harney Memorial Association. <i>Provided</i> , That the Secretary of the Treasury shall first be satisfied that the funds received from sources other than the United States are actually available in the hands of the treasurer of the commission or have been properly expended in carrying out the purposes of this Act. |
| Advance to treasurer from funds appropriated.                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Proviso.                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Condition.                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

SEC. 6. That such commission, on or before the 1st day of December of each year, shall transmit to Congress a report of its activities and proceedings for the preceding year, including a full and complete statement of its receipts and expenditures.

Report to Congress.

An Act To amend the Act entitled "An Act creating the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and defining its powers and purposes", approved February 25, 1929, and for other purposes, approved June 26, 1934 (48 Stat. 1223)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 3 of the Act entitled "An Act creating the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and defining its powers and purposes", approved February 25, 1929, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "If by reason of death, disability, or other cause, any individual to whom functions are assigned under this section has been or shall be rendered unable to perform such functions, the Commission is authorized to designate or employ such other person as it deems competent to perform such functions."

Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission.

Successor to be appointed in case of death, disability, etc.

SEC. 2. Section 5 of such Act of February 25, 1929, is amended to read as follows:

Federal contribution.

"SEC. 5. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of not to exceed \$250,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of such memorial and landscaping. Such sums as may be appropriated pursuant to this Act shall be advanced to the treasurer of said Commission from time to time by the Secretary of the Treasury upon requisition of the executive committee provided for by this Act."

Appropriation authorized.

Advances from sums available.

SEC. 3. Any funds heretofore made available for expenditure under the provisions of such Act of February 25, 1929, are hereby made available for expenditure under such Act as amended by this Act.

Continuation of appropriations.

An Act To provide additional funds for the completion of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial, in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes, approved August 29, 1935 (49 Stat. 962)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, not to exceed the sum of \$200,000, in addition to the amount previously authorized, for the purpose of defraying the cost of completing the Mount Rushmore National Memorial, in the State of South Dakota, including landscaping of the contiguous grounds thereof, constructing the entrances thereto, and constructing a suitable museum room in connection therewith.

Mount Rushmore National Memorial.  
Appropriation authorized for completing.

SEC. 2. The Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior,

Contracts authorized.

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is hereby authorized to enter into contract for the execution and completion of the work and to fix the compensations to be paid to artists, sculptors, landscape architects, and others, who may be employed by the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission, in the completion of the said Mount Rushmore National Memorial pursuant to the provisions of section 3 of Public Law Numbered 805, Seventieth Congress, approved February 25, 1929, as amended by section 1 of Public Law Numbered 471, Seventy-third Congress, approved June 26, 1934.

An Act To amend the Act entitled "An Act creating the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and defining its purposes and powers", approved February 25, 1929, as amended, approved June 16, 1938 (52 Stat. 694)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*  
That this Act may be cited as the "Mount Rushmore Memorial Act of 1938".

SEC. 2. The Act entitled "An Act creating the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and defining its purposes and powers", approved February 25, 1929 (45 Stat. 1300), as amended, is amended as follows: Strike out all of such Act, after the first paragraph of section 1, and insert the following: "Any six members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum. No member of the Commission shall receive compensation for his services, but the actual expenses of any member in connection with the work of the Commission may be paid from any appropriations available for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act: *Provided*, That nothing in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the payment to any member of the Commission who may be elected secretary or treasurer of the Commission of such compensation for the performance of his duties as secretary or treasurer, as may be determined by the Commission.

"SEC. 2. The Commission shall elect its chairman, vice chairman, secretary, and treasurer. The chairman and the vice chairman shall, and the secretary and the treasurer may but need not, be elected from among the members of the Commission. The treasurer may be a bank or trust company. The treasurer shall execute a bond so conditioned and in such amount as shall insure the protection of funds coming into his possession. The Commission may create from its own membership an executive committee of five, which shall exercise such powers and functions within the purview of this Act as may be authorized by the Commission.

"SEC. 3. The Commission shall, in accordance with designs and models prepared by the designer-sculptor, complete the Mount Rushmore National Memorial, including an entablature upon which shall be cut a suitable inscription, construction of a museum and a stairway to the mu-

Mount Rushmore Memorial Act of 1938.

Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission.  
43 Stat. 1300.

Quorum.  
Restriction on compensation; payment of expenses.

Proviso.

Secretary or treasurer, compensation.

Organization, etc.

Treasurer may be a bank; bond required.

Executive committee.

Completion of memorial.

seum hall, reconstruction of the studio for preservation of the models, landscaping of contiguous grounds, and construction of the entrance to the memorial. No charge shall ever be made for admission to the memorial grounds or for viewing the memorial.

"SEC. 4. The Commission is authorized—

"(a) To designate and describe by metes and bounds an area of not more than fifteen hundred acres of the public lands of the United States within the Harney National Forest, State of South Dakota, immediately surrounding the Mount Rushmore National Memorial. Upon such designation such area is hereby reserved for and declared to be a part of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial, and withdrawn from location or entry under the mining or other laws of the United States. The Commission shall prepare a survey of such area and shall furnish a plat thereof to the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of the Interior, and the United States land office at Pierre, South Dakota: *Provided*, That this Act shall not defeat or affect any vested right under the mining or other laws of the United States and which is hereafter maintained in accordance therewith.

"(b) To receive and take over all property, contracts, rights, and moneys heretofore possessed by the Mount Harney Memorial Association, including memoranda, records, sketches, models, and the incompleting figures on Mount Rushmore.

"(c) To administer funds appropriated, or obtained by gifts, the acceptance of which is hereby authorized, for the purpose of completing, developing, and maintaining the memorial, and to pay out the same upon properly receipted vouchers to persons entitled thereto.

"(d) To employ, without regard to the civil-service laws and the Classification Act of 1923, as amended, such artists, sculptors, landscape architects, and other employees as it shall determine to be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

"(e) To administer, protect, and develop the memorial.

"(f) To exercise such other powers and functions, including the promulgation of such rules and regulations, as may be necessary and proper to carry out the purposes of this Act.

"SEC. 5. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, in addition to any sums authorized to be appropriated prior to the date of approval of this Act, the sum of \$300,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary. Upon requisition of the Commission, the Secretary of the Treasury shall advance to the treasurer of the Commission out of any amounts appropriated for such purpose, such sums as may be needed by the Commission to exercise its functions.

"SEC. 6. The Commission shall, on or before the first day of each regular session of Congress, transmit to Con-

No admission charge.

Authority of Commission.  
Designation of area within Harney National Forest, S. Dak.

Reservation as part of memorial.

*Provided*.

Vested rights under mining, etc., laws not affected.

Receipt of property heretofore possessed by Mount Harney Memorial Association.

Administration of funds.

Employment of artists, sculptors, etc.

Administration, etc., of memorial.  
Other powers.

Additional sums authorized.

Advance to treasurer from funds appropriated.

Report to Congress.

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gress a report of its activities and proceedings for the preceding fiscal year, including a full and complete statement of its receipts and expenditures."

Transmitted  
May 9, 1939.

Effective  
July 1, 1939.

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Excerpt from "Reorganization Plan No. II, Prepared by the President and transmitted to the Senate and the House of Representatives in Congress assembled, May 8, 1939, pursuant to the provisions of the Reorganization Act of 1939, approved April 3, 1939." (4 Fed. Reg. 2731; 53 Stat. 1431, 1434)

(i) *Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission.*—The Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission and its functions are hereby transferred to the National Park Service in the Department of the Interior. The functions vested in the Commission by section 3 and 4 (a) of the Act of June 15, 1938, (c. 402, 52 Stat. 694) shall continue to be exercised by the Commission. All other functions of the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission shall be administered by the National Park Service under the direction and supervision of the Secretary of the Interior. (5 U.S.C. sec. 1331 note, p. 90.)

An Act To amend the Mount Rushmore Memorial Act of 1938, approved May 22, 1940 (54 Stat. 218)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 4 of the Mount Rushmore Memorial Act of 1938, approved June 15, 1938, is amended as follows:

Strike out the words "fifteen hundred acres" and insert in lieu thereof the words "eighteen hundred acres: *Provided*, That while appropriations necessary to complete the Memorial as authorized by law may be made, no part of any funds appropriated to the Rushmore Memorial Commission may be used for the development of the three hundred acres herein proposed to be added to the Memorial Reserve and no part of any funds appropriated under any Act may be used to pay a royalty or percentage to the sculptor for any work other than that necessarily incident to the sculpturing project."

Excerpt from "An Act Making appropriations to supply deficiencies in certain appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, and for prior fiscal years, to provide supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, and for other purposes," approved July 3, 1941 (56 Stat. 541, 553)

#### NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

National historical parks and monuments: \* \* \* *Provided*, That the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission shall cease to exist or function on June 30, 1942.<sup>1</sup>

*Proviso.*  
Mount Rush-  
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Memorial  
Commission.

<sup>1</sup> Amended by Act of July 12, 1943, p. 141.

An Act Authorizing the construction of a crypt for the remains of Gutzon and Mary Borglum, approved July 11, 1941 (55 Stat. 884)

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission, organized under the authority of Public, Numbered 629, Seventy-fifth Congress, is hereby authorized to construct a crypt which shall serve as the permanent resting place for the remains of Gutzon and Mary Borglum, of such a design and at such place in Mount Rushmore National Memorial as the Commission deems appropriate after consultation with the Secretary of the Interior; *Provided*, That such crypt shall not be located in the immediate vicinity of the central figures of such Memorial.

Gutzon and Mary Borglum.

Construction of crypt for remains of.  
55 Stat. 884.

*Provided*.

SEC. 2. The cost of the tomb authorized by this Act shall be borne entirely from funds privately subscribed.

Excerpt from "An Act Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1944, and for other purposes," approved July 12, 1943 (57 Stat. 451, 486)

Mount Rushmore National Memorial Commission: Notwithstanding the proviso under this head in the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1941, approved July 3, 1941, the Commission is hereby revived for performing, without any expense to the United States, the functions authorized by the Act of July 11, 1941 (Public Law 164), and when such functions are accomplished the Commission shall cease to exist or function.

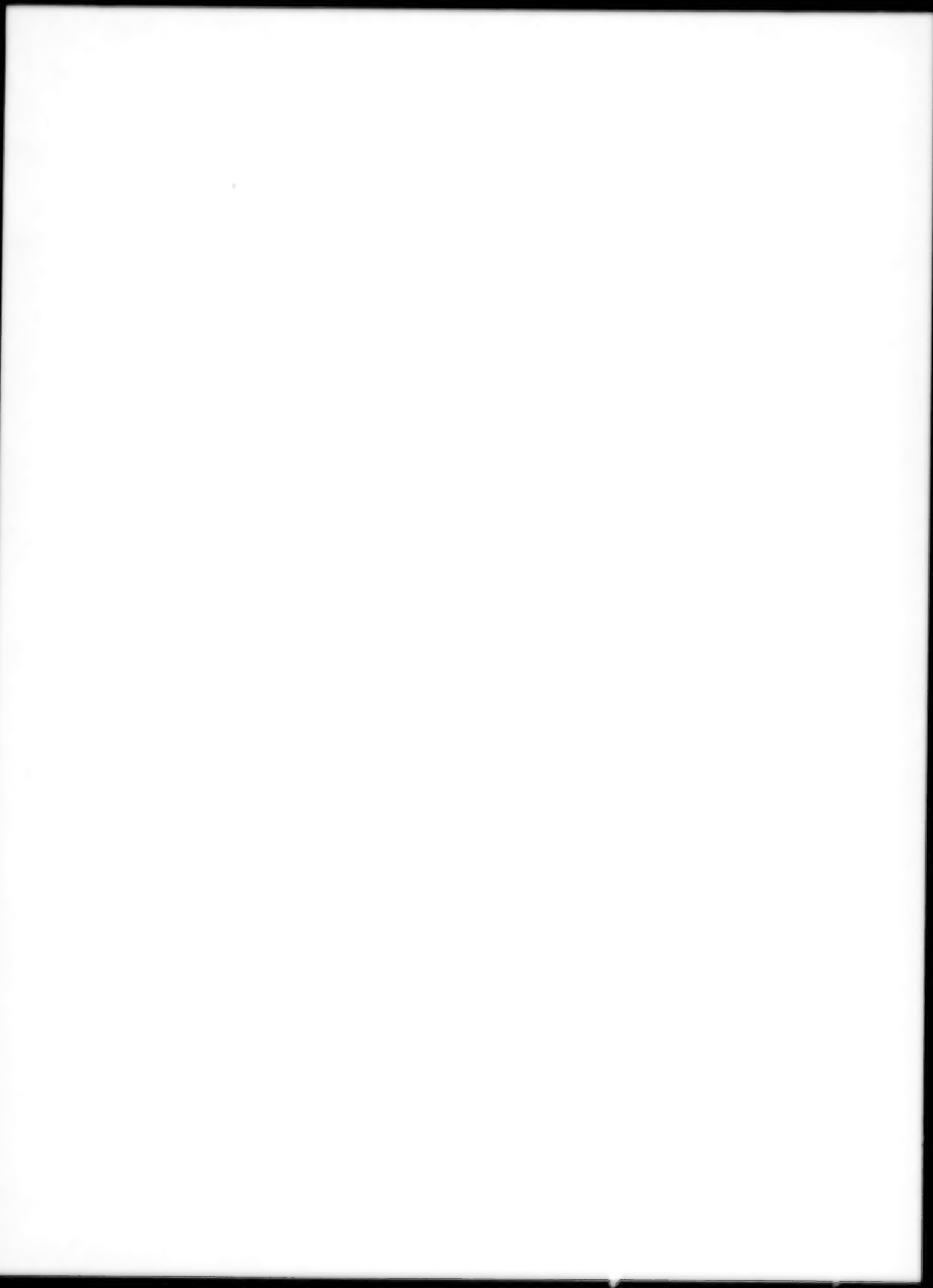
Commission revived for certain purposes.  
55 Stat. 595.

55 Stat. 594.  
Termination of Commission.

Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act directs that "the Secretary shall not approve any program or project which requires the use of any wildlife and waterfowl refuge of national, State, or local significance as determined by the Federal, State, or local officials having jurisdiction thereof, or any land from an historic site of national, State, or local significance as so determined by such officials unless (1) there is no feasible and prudent alternative to the use of such land, and (2) such program includes all possible planning to minimize harm to such park, recreational area, wildlife and waterfowl refuge, or historic site resulting from such use."

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